# TRYING SPRING WEATHER.

## Is Your System in Shape to Carry You Safely Through.

### The Practice of Taking a Tonic in the Spring is Descended From Our Wise Forefathers and Has Good Medical Endorsement, A Few Suggestions Regarding Health.

ueathed to us by our forefathers who lived in health meant even more than they do today, times when brawn and muscle were necessary for adcancement in almost any calling. The custom has good medical endorsement, and the healthlest peode are those that follow it. Thousands, not really

ple fall an easy prey to disease and are subject to

"About five years ago I became ill without ap-parent cause, and I grew worse, until I was completely run down. The least exertion would bring on a very severe pain in the pit of my stomach. At other times I would have a pain in my head, something like neuralgia. My kidneys were very weak and my limbs always felt tired. I was troubled with shortness of breath, and I had a pale, bloodless appearance. There was a smother-I was under the care of two doctors, neither of whom seemed to know the nature of my trouble. They treated me for dyspepsia, ulceration of the stomach, gastritis and neuralgia, but without good

many discomforts from boils, cruptions and similar Pale People, I bought a box and began taking in a St. Paul paper of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for them. They helped me so much that I kept on are the greatest tonic medicine known. These pills with them until I had taken five boxes altogether,

"I have recommended Pink Pills to many people

who were suffering much as I was, and they have

all been benefited. My younger sister, whose skin

nerves, invigorating the body, regulating the func-

tions, they restore the strength and health in the

exhausted patient when every effort of the physi-

cian proves unavailing. These pills are sold in

boxes at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50,

and may be had at all druggists, or direct by mail

from Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady,

ORNAMENTS FOR THE HAIR.

Dainty Novelties That Add Charm to

the Coiffure for Evening.

The stiffness that has characterized hair

ornaments is giving place rapidly to softer

and more graceful effects. Prominent

among the newer adornments are large

roses of silk, with petals dotted by jew-

eled drops of dew. From this center deli-

cate foliage or maidenhair fern radiates in

soft sprays that nestle with the rose in

the hair. The roses are to be found in dif-

ferent colors and tints, as well as black

and white, so that all complexions and

These picturesque and somewhat demure

ornaments are especially adapted to the

long or the low coiffure that is now considered the extreme of fashion, and has a

charming effect on the tall, athletic type of

girl, tending to a greater delicacy of ap-

By the petite young woman (there are no

old women now, thanks to modern science

and art) the roses may be worn just the same, but they have dainty ostrich tips and aigrettes added, to give a hint of state-

liness that otherwise might be lacking.

This type still clings to the high hair dressing, and the roses lie close to the coil,

somewhat low on the side, while the full, thick tip stands "perkily" upright almost in the front. In this way the low and the

high modes are happily blended, and fash-

on and becomingness are at peace.

Butterflies are still popular, and the later examples are of stiffened gauze painted in the natural colors of the great, splendid, tropical varieties. Enamel also is used frequently with stunning of the great standard of the stunning o

frequently with stunning effect, and the butterfly seems alive as it sways and

A lovely fashion for a low, loose coiffure,

with the front drawn back in large waves,

is a series of pearl topped side combs ar-

ranged from top of the head to neck, or a

string of pearls so twisted in as to produce

a similar effect. A diamond and pearl comb above the coil completes the effect.

A half wreath of roses with their foliage is a bewitching fancy for a "full front" low coiffure, when the face is a delicate

Women who have passed the thirtieth milestone should treat flowers warily, as

they may sometimes suggest odious com-parisons. For them jewels and feathers

are safer. One style of flower may be worn, however, without indiscretion-the

orchid, and other somewhat formal blos-

soms, such as the narcissus. These are "dew dropped" with brilliants and are ex-

tremely pretty. Bows and rosettes of white or colored illusion are suitable, too, for young or middle-aged, and often are span-

Some novelties in combs are made of mother-of-pearl in rich colors, in modes similar to the tortoise shell. Not infre-

quently they are exquisitely carved and

studded with jewels or set in gold. In any

case they are so beautiful in their shim-

mering opalescence that one wonders that the lovely substance has not been used for

the purpose before this time.

Sometimes a small jeweled butterfly or coronet-shaped ornament is made the cen-

ter of a tuft of tulle, or the base of a tiny

diminutive shell or mother-of-pearl comb is used in the same way. The stiffly wired

bows are no longer favored, but almost any

other idea is accepted, if graceful and be

Question of Grammar.

cats said about my acting, if I were you,"

spoke her intimate friend, sympathizingly.

They're nothing but a lot of has-beens."

"I wouldn't care what those spiteful old

ostrich tip or aigrette. Occasionally

gled with excellent effect.

From the Chicago Tribu

oval and has the freshness of youth.

costumes can be suited in the selection.

From the New York Tribune

pearance.

"MAY SMITH."



"THE PROSPECT BEGAN TO LOOK BRIGHTER FOR ME."

women and children feel bright, active and strong.

### A STRICKEN WOMAN.

## Others of Her Sex.

From the News, Connersville, Ind.

sing six boxes in all.

lams' Pink Pills they will be rewarded. "NELLIE M. HEDDEN." Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day

of November, 1900.

## HER BLOOD WAS THIN.

## ing Symptoms Disappeared.

From Presbyterian Journal, Phila., Pa.

urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Previous to this three doctors had treated They diagnosed my trouble as heart disease. gether with consumption, and prescribed accordingly. All this medical treatment did not benefit me in the least. I was in a terrible condition. My chief trouble was weakness, and after laboriou efforts to get upstairs I almost went into a faint, and on several occasions thought I was going to

came thoroughly discouraged.

my restoration to health.

## Tells How She Won a Good Complexion.

From the Pioneer Press, St. Paul, Minn, From Florence, Ravalli county, Mont., comes a letter, the writer of which is willing to ell how she obtained the rich glow of health that thousands of women are cuvious to possess. Be-fore she found the right remedy she was in that pale, emaciated condition which doctors call

The practice of taking a tonic during the inclem-ent weather of early spring is one that has been given in the first words of this article, says: need a tonic at this season. Close confinement i ing sensation about my heart, which would beat in badly ventilated houses, offices, shops and school | heavily, with fits of palpitation. For three years

"Two years ago, when I saw an advertisement



make rich, red blood and make dull, listless men, 1 and became well and strong again. I gained in flesh, and they gave me a healthy color. I have great faith in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale evidence of their wonderful medicinal People, and take them every spring and fall as a power will be shown by the following authentic blood medicine and for the general building up of

# Her Story Will Interest Many

avenue, Connersville, Ind., contains an im portant lesson for many American women who affer in silence rather than face the ordeal that the usual treatment of their troubles entails. It s a story that rings with honest gratitude and not tell half the misery that the narrator en-Other women who are suffering as Mrs. Hedden did will know how to understand and apreciate much that cannot be told in a newspaper Mrs. Hedden's experience is best given n her own words. She says:

For nearly a year I endured terrible agony. aused by a general breaking down of the nervous system, female weakness and suppression of the periods. I suffered greatly with bearing-down pains nd was very weak and short of breath. My circulation was very bad, causing numbness of limbs, lizziness and headache all the time. My heart would sometimes feel as if there was a heavy weight on it. I had never been healthy and strong, so you can readily see that I was in no condition to withstand such a combination of ailments as I

have told you of. "I grew worse very rapidly, and all the doctors I tried failed to check my decline. A friend of my susband told him how much good Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had done his wife, so I commenced tak ing them, and can now state that they are the nly relief I ever had. The first box helped me so much that the prospect began to look brighter for me. I continued the treatment for several weeks,

In conclusion, I will say that if any one who is suffering the same as I was will take Dr. Will-

FINLY H. GRAY, Notary Public.

# When It Was Enriched the Alarm-

After years of patient and intense suffering. Miss Gertrade Gilbert of 3201 Dauphin street, Philadelphia, Pa., has recovered her lost health, and is today a rosy and blooming specimen of young womanhood. Miss Gilbert's illness, which was of several ears' duration, was due mainly to the lack of blood. Today her rosy cheeks and healthy appearance denote the grateful change from a life of illsealth to one of freedom from all illness. To a reporter she gave the following account of her

"I had been sick for a long time, when a friend

"So little blood had I that my ears were almost ransparent, and my complexion was as white as a sheet. I can scarcely describe my sensations, but after repeated treatment by my physicians I be-

"It was at this time that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were recommended to me, and I procured a box. Refore I had finished it I began to feel the benefit to my health. This gave me encourageto directions. At the end of the seventh or eighth ox, I forget which, I was an entirely different girl. In addition to having a sufficient quantity and a better quality of blood in my veins, I was relieved of that shortness of breath and quick heart action which had been my chief trouble. My appetite returned and I was enabled to do my daily duties with a cheerfulness which I had never before experienced. I always, as a preventive, keep a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in my room. They are all they are represented to be, and I say again that to them, and to them alone, do I owe "GERTRUDE GILBERT."

A MONTANA GIRL

"I-I think," sobbed the young Boston actress, "the c-correct form is 'have-beens!" The scholars in a certain school were asked to write a sentence introducing the word "chaste." Little Johnny wrote: "General De Wet is the most chaste man

HOUSEHOLD MATTERS

What the Shops Show in New Furnishings.

## A CRETONNE ROOM DESCRIBED

Where Ingenuity and Taste Find Ample Expression.

GOOD RESULTS ACHIEVED

Written for The Evening Star.

As the freshest, brightest and most striking of summer dress goods are now disbeing shown the latest novelties for summer dresses for windows and furniture. The same general trend of decoration usually prevails for both, and wall papers may be likewise included-that is, when large designs are the favorites in one of these branches it goes without saying that popular taste will demand similar embellishment for the others. He who runs may read that large designs are what the womenkind of 1901 will prefer in their silk and cotton gowns for the summer campsign, and one may be equally sure, even if the occasion is not yet forced upon our attention, that the "real" designs in cretonne and chintz are not the ones that fashion will call for when she goes a-shopping later for her summer home, in town or country. If, therefore, there are new rooms to be fitted or old ones to be refurnished one may be sure that a large-pat-terned fabric will be chosen, no matter if one's private-predilection is for just the op-posite, for one does not like to be behind the times in "worldly gear," whether for

The pastal shades, or those which border on them, are shown in some of the new cre-tonnes, and even in the inexpensive ones. too. Indeed, the same fact is noticeable in these cotton furniture coverings as in wall papers, that some of the prettiest designs come in the cheap grades, while the coloring is usually as good, though sometimes a little more crude, and that time

ne" person or her house.

### Sash Draperies.

Today I have seen a large assortment of sash goods, many charming to look at, and the prices from 6 to 15 cents per yard. There is certainly no excuse but the frank one of lack of taste for rooms not looking cool and pretty this coming summer, when at a trifling cost such pretty things are offered from which to select. The large de-signs prevail, as with the higher-priced goods, and many have Morris patterns—or what are classed as those—and equally attractive. Yellow and green and green and dull pink are often combined in these. An extremely dainty piece was of pale yellow and pastel blue, in so-called English design, and a bed room or sitting room furnished with it could be made delightful as to looks. Of the very large figures, one of great pink roses on a dull gray blue, with some white flowers relieving the pink, was especially good. especially good.

### A Good Example.

The same coloring, and much the same pattern, in more expensive goods have been used in a large bed room in a West is pale and transparent, is now taking them to End house in town, where couch, easy chairs and rockers have frilled covers, and are extremely pretty. If one wants an oldfashioned room, a blue and brown cretonne The power of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale The power of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People in the vast number of diseases due to impure blood or to derangements of the nervous system, has been demonstrated in thousands of instances as remarkable as those related above. Nobody who is suffering can rightfully neglect this way to restore health. No discovery of modern times has proved such a or most of the prettiest, in spite of the fact that green is so much used, but some of blessing to women as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Acting directly on the blood and them with yellow or pink combine well with green

Home-Made Covers.

It is surprising how well a chair may be covered at home by any one who has some idea of fitting. The goods can be pinned on and cut out on the chair itself, then a French seam made, and it is done, for such covers are preferably loose ones, as in such cheap material one would not wish to pay for regular upholstering. Box-plaited frills. either narrow, set on a deep gathered flounce, or wide, stitched on the wrong side and turned over without heading, make the est finish for these loose covers.

## The Bed Dressing.

About a bed the chintz may be managed in several ways. A valance may be made reaching to the floor, and a white spread hung over it edged with lace, fringe or ruffle. The French chintz spreads with ruffle of wavy plain dimity, or the Allendale, with the lace or fringe, make the simplest and most easily laundered of any spreads.

If more color is liked about a bed, then the spread may be of cretonne, either hanging over a valance of the same or, reversing the former combination, the valance may be of white. Even with a bed, when the spread is tucked in on either side the cretonne is good, but to most eyes the effect is prettier if the pillows are in white cases rather than

## For Pleasant Dreams.

I have lately seen a very old mahogany bed in empire style, with a cover of cretonne in very broad stripes put on so they go across the bed, with pink, crimson and green in the large flower design, and white pillows and scarf, the combination being very agreeable to the eye. Whenever there is space in a room a couch should be simllarly covered, and if that cannot be managed, a window seat or ottoman should be used, for in nothing is cretonne more effective than in such a mass of color as

these give.
Old-fashioned shapes in chairs are mos desirable also, and at auctions one some times can find them, the winged, sleep hollow or Boston rocker, any of which re-stored to polite life by a fresh, gay cover is charming in bed room or summer cot-tage living room—for parlors do not exist, in summer existence at least.

## Handy Box Shelf.

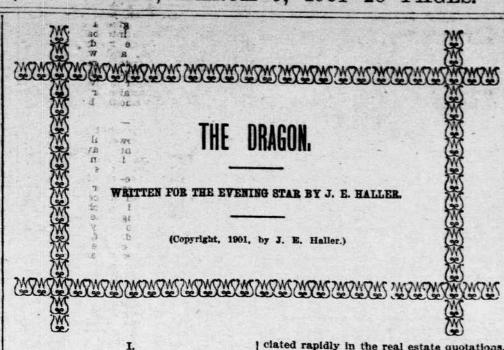
Sometimes in a bed room there is no good place for a bookcase and no table space to be spared; then an odd shelf or two across a corner or in some place that could be utilized for nothing else can be most attractive as well as most useful. These can be covered with cretonne to match the room and really be made a feature of its decoration. The more unusual the place for books the more enticing they seem at times, and even several can be used in one room if there are odd nooks to accommodate

Little Odds and Ends.

A pretty conceit for bed rooms is the waste basket made of pasteboard, covered with cretonne, which folds up compactly, and is thus easy to paste if desired. Any odd one looks well in a room, but if covered to match the other furnishing is much prettier, of course. These can be ordered where such work is done, and if you take some of your own goods it may be used; all these little touches are what make the success of any room, and to have a cretonne room at its best a quantity of the goods must be taken. Used sparingly it is much less effective than when everything possible is covered with it.

Use Plenty of Stuff.

This was recently impressed upon me by seeing a room half finished, with only part of the covers and hangings in place, and later when that amount was almost doubled on the completion of the furnishing. My on the completion of the furnishing. My first feeling was of distinct disappointment, but I reserved judgment until seeing it as a whole, when it was everything that could be wished in that particular style. If any one is going to furnish a room with cretonne, therefore, I advise having at least twenty-five yards of it disposed about. Even in rather a small room where no couch is admissible, and more in a large room—then satisfactory results may be expected in this prettiest of all inexpensive material.



Elijah P. Jopp was an American from 'way down' somewhere, but exactly where doesn't matter. He was in the show line and has got hold of a real paying freak. This was nothing less than a dragon, not a crocodile, nor an alligator, faked up with green paint and gilding, but a genuine medieval, fire-breathing, princessivorous dragon, with a voice that could be heard ten miles off when it wasn't muzzled, and an appetite like a smelting furnace.

Elijah P. Jopp had found a curious-look ng egg one morning when he was prospecting for gold in an unknown part of the country. He would have been better pleased if he had found a nugget, but, if he had only known it, that egg was going to prove worth fifty nuggets to him. When he returned home four months later in a very bad temper, owing to his not having found the gold mine for which he had been lookng, he put the egg in an incubator.

For all he knew the egg might have been lying where he found it for months before he picked it up; as a matter of fact, it had been lying there for more than a thou-sand years. The chances were against the incubator making anything of the job of hatching, but, what with Elijah knowing nothing about incubators, and the incubator knowing nothing about dragon's eggs, the experiment was successful, and in due time

Its first meal was off its feilow lodgers in the incubator. It then burnt its way through the inflammable part of its foster mother and was free. Elijah was at first inclined to administer capital punishment for these offences, and would have done so if he had known how to set to work. He did make an attempt with a hatchet, but the infant dragon blew its nose and Elijah retired with his trousers singed and his legs scarched. legs scorched.

He judged it wiser not to come to close quarters after that, but retired into the house and fetched his revolver. The first bullet flattened itself on the dragon's steely hide; the second glanced off and found a billet in the eye of Elijah's cow. He then decided to forgive the dragon, which bore no offence, and indeed liked its owner none the worse, imagining that Elijah's attempts on its life with hatchet and revolver were intended simply as an amusement for its unoccupied hours.

Soon it became tame and followed him Soon it became tame and followed him about like a dog. He did not let it eat out of his hand, for it would probably have made a meal off that member in more senses than one, and, besides, it always cooked its food by breathing on it before satisfying its appetite, which caused Elijah to become proficient in throwing, as he found it advisable to make a habit of feeding his pet at a range of about fifty yards. It was fortunate that the dragon attached itself to Elijah, or trouble might have ensued. It had a soft and engaging disposition, and had a soft and engaging disposition, and after a time he could do anything with it, and even punished it by means of a crow-bar when the infant mortality of the village began to attract the attention of the insur-ance offices. This was in the dragon's early days. By the time Elijah had got it suffi-ciently under control to join a traveling cus at a large salary it into quite a respectable member of society, and was content to accept whatever suste nance was offered it instead of helping it-

Elijah toured with the circus in his native country for some time, and made a nice little sum of money. Finally the concern was broken up by the disappearance of the proprietor. There was nothing to account for it. Business had been good and domesic relations all that could be desired. The theory of suicide was scouted on all sides; beside, where was the body? Elijah's dragor showed its grief at the untimely occurrence by refusing all food, and going to sleep for two days. Then the proprietor's watch and chain were found in a corner of its cage, and spiteful things were said and regret-table accusations made against it. Elijah on behalf of the dragon, was very much hurt, and told the widow that unless she her insinuations he should go away and start a little circus of his own.



The Dragon Was Delighted.

did, and made more money as his own manager than he had ever made in his life be-

About five years after the dragon was hatched, Elijah P. Jopp found himself making an extended tour of the continent of Europe and drawing crowded houses everywhere. The dragon was Elijah's best friend now, and had been trained to do a lot of showy tricks. Elijah would fill his pipe and the dragon would light it for him. Elijah would then take a piece of Iron, hold it in the dragon's breath until it became red hot and hammer it into a horseshoe using the and hammer it into a horseshoe, using the dragon's back as an anvil. A live sheep was brought on the stage, there was a strong smell, such as fills small houses at dinner time, and the sheep had disappeared.

strong smell, such as all small houses at dinner time, and the sheep had disappeared. The dragon would finish up the entertainment by roaring by kind permission of the mayor and corpo ation), and the local aurist would retire to a rilla in the country in less than a twelvementh.

Elijah and the dragon were very happy together, and we samply coining money, when one fine morning after a successful performance in a little town in the Black Forest, Elijah woke up to find that the dragon had disappeared. He ran around the little town wringing his hands, and the crier did the same with a bell; but nobody had seen or heard anything of the dragon. One of the burgomasters had missed his wife, but that was all. He behaved in a very gentlemanly manner about it, and made no fuss, but even if he had claimed damages there was nothing to connect the dragon with the mishap. No tidings came from the country around. The dragon had simply vanished.

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Elijah was a very unhappy man. It was not so much the loss of his income that troubled him, for by the help of the dragon he had already made his pile. It was the loss of his friend, his constant comrade, his fireside companion, so to speak, and all that made life worth living to him. With the indomitable will of his countrymen he set out on a search for his dragon, but he went with a heavy heart, for sharper than its own teeth was the pang that its desertion had caused him. had caused him.

The dragon, in the meantime, traveling by easy stages and picking up a fair living by the way, had arrived at the kingdom of She (slyly)—"How is it—er—Josef, that you have never thought seriously of getting married?"

He—"I have always thought seriously of Putzenheim. Its presence in neighborhood soon began to be felt, and neighb Dummeleutia and set up a house in a con-venient swamp a few miles from the royal

freak in a museum it had been a decided success. As a fatal indisposition and a

cemetery rolled into one it overdid the busi-When it had been settled near Putzen

ciated rapidly in the real estate quotations. The dragon, freed from its civilizing intercourse with Elijah, reverted to the habits of its ancestors, and mopped up the surplus population of the kingdom of Dummeleutia with surprising celerity. It had entirely lost the popularity which it had gained under the wise control of its master, and was now looked upon as something little better than an embarrassment. As a freak in a museum it had been a decided

heim for a week, the inhabitants of the city were publicly warned against going near the swamp. When it had been there a fortnight they were encouraged to do so, for the dragon, becoming lonely through the lack of society, made an expedition and saved one or two worthy citizens the expense of a funeral. After a month's ex-perience of its healthy appetite matters became serious and the standing army of Dummeleutia was sent out to engage the monster. They marched away from Potenheim one summer's morning, banners flying and trumpets braying, and by dint of

forced marches arrived at the swamp about teatime. The dragon was delighted. It had been left so much to itself that it was quite down in the mouth. By nightfall half the brave and gallant army of Dummeleutia were similarly situated and the other six had returned to Putzenheim to resign

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owing proclamation: WANTED!

their commissions. Then the king took counsel of his advisers and issued the fol-

A ST. GEORGE TO SLAY THE DRAGON.

REWARD As usual: DAUGHTER'S HAND AND

The neighboring kingdoms were thrown into great excitement by this proclamation

which was spread far and wide. Princes by

the score came thronging into the royal city

of Putzenheim and were entertained night after night with costly banquets by the

king. But by the end of the month the palace had settled down again to its usual

state of weak teas and board wages. Some of the princes had seen the dragon, others

had seen the princess. In either case the

result was the same. Not one of them had

got any further than a nodding acquaint-ance with the redoubtable beast. They had

lost interest in its habits after that and

Then came the turn of the cranks. They

didn't want royal banquets, and were no

so expensive to entertain in other ways

One said he was a magician and said he could exorcise the dragon. No one knew quite what he meant, but it was generally

agreed afterward that the dragon had don-

most of the exorcising. Another said he could charm it out of the kingdom by his

flute playing. He might have succeeded with

the dragon, but as he insisted upon prac-ticing beforehand the inhabitants saved

The enterprising vender of a patent rat poison then tried his hand. He waived his

claim to the princess, having a wife on hand already, but said he could make use

of the other part of the reward. He was willing to supply the goods required gratis

as an advertisement. He sent one of his travelers to start operations with a hun-

dred tins. The traveler saturated a sheep and left it near the dragon's home in the

swamp. The dragon had been a trifle in-disposed for a few days, but managed to

make away with the sheep. The poison seemed to revive it, much to the chagrin

of the traveler, and it became more of a nuisance than before. The traveler wired

to headquarters for a thousand tins, and dressed an ox with the condiment. The

dragon swallowed the spiced beef with avid-

the treat, the traveler having waited to see

the effect of the dose. An advertisement was

put in the papers by the firm for a pushing

cost of eleven hundred tins, with a small

pension for the widow, was written off the books. The cranks had failed.

Another meeting of the council was called. "We can't go on like this," said the lord chamberlain. "Half the army is gene, and the factories are being closed.

Your majesty must act, and act promptly."
"We have acted," said the king, "and

nothing has come of it. We have offered a very large reward—our daughter and half of our kingdom. We have done all we can." The king always spoke of himself in the plural. He considered that he owed it to his position

ty, and found out who was responsible for

orute of a meal at the same time.

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HALF KINGDOM. FERDINAND R.

in these cases and that has not been done," said the lord chamberlain.
"What is it?" asked the king. "The princess must be sacrificed."
The king grew thoughtful. "Do you really think so?" he asked.

"It is the only course left to us."
"It doesn't seem a bad idea," said the

king. "But we are not quite sure how her royal highness might take it." "Your majesty can command."
"Yes—there is that. We can command—of course. We say, 'Sploschstein, just come here a minute,' You'll break it to her,

won't you?"
"Well, your majesty, it would come better from you, I think."

ter from you, I think of a father's

"If the worst came to the worst, we could the army to take her along, "Do you think there is enough of it left?"
"What six brawny men—the gallant army

of Dummeleutia not enough to take one "We beg your pardon?" "I mean one simple maiden, a couple of

"Well, we should think it might do, per-aps. You arrange it all, Spoloschstein, just as you think best. We must be off now. We've just to go around the corner to see a man about a dog. Good-by."

The lord chamberlain pulled himself together, and went to see the princess. She tumbled to the idea directly, much to his relief. She liked the idea of the white robe and the flowers, and the veeping maidens, and being allowed to choose what she liked for breakfast; she was a sentimental wo-man, and had little doubt that a St. George would turn up in the nick of time to save her from the dragon, and marry her afterward. They had no trouble with her at all. The king objected at first to having to fall on her neck before leaving her to the drag-on-he wanted the whole thing over as

would spoil the whole performance, so he consented. The ceremony went off very well. The stage manager of the Royal Opera House arranged the details and was congratulated on the success by the whole of the press. They got together a dozen virgins to strew flowers in the way, and the station master's little daughter offered the princess a mag-

OF HER THERE WAS NO SIGN.

quickly as possible—but it was pointed out to him that if he didn't do his part he

utes. Elijah threw himself on the ground n a passion of grief, and took its heavy head in his lap.
Over that last harrowing scene a veli

must be drawn. In a quarter of an hour Elijah rose again, and wiping his tears, mounted his horse and rode slowly back to Putzenheim, leaving the dragon dead on the The poor beast had eaten the princess!

Even the highest-class Japanese women have their household duties to perform, and no matter how righ the family, Japanese girls are brought up to be able to sew, cook

In Japan the higher-class women never go to market. The market comes to themmerchant brings his stock, and if any is sold prepares it for cooking. The green grocer, the sake dealer and nowadays the meat man all go to their patrons' houses. Nearly all Japanese women make their own clothes; at all events, even the very

Dinner is served at or a little before dusk the year around. A small table about one

Great nicety and artistic taste are used in the preparation of the dinner. Foods are served in the daintiest fashion, and if guests are present the meal develops into an affair of ceremony. The most exquisite designs are used by the cook, such, for instance,

The servant wiped her hand on her apron and produced a card. On it was printed:

There was a band, but the less said about that the better. The princess enjoyed her-

self thoroughly. She was more popular than she had ever been in her life. The whole

population of Putzenheim turned out to see the last of her, but the concourse thinned

off a bit as they neared the swamp. How-

ever, nothing was seen of the dragon.

The proceedings were a little hurried when

they reached the margin of the swamp,

but the princess was duly chained to a tree
—she would have preferred a rock if there

had been one—and then the king tucked up his robes and scuttled back to his royal

city as fast as his legs could carry him, followed by the lord chamberlain and the

III.

ST. GEORGE.

"He has come," said the king. "We knew and light the stove." The king went upstairs to change his

litely, as he entered the room.
"That's right," said the stranger. He was a tall, thin man, witht a goatee beard. He was dressed in a suit of broadcloth, and had deposited a stovepipe hat on the table

"You have called, we believe, about that little matter of the dragon.' "I guess you've about figured it out cor

this pestilent monster? "I am prepared to do it right now, terms being satisfactory."

"You bet."
"I thought, perhaps, being in that line of "Won't do, Ferdy. Where's the gal?"

"You have, have you? That's mighty awkward for her. What's the poor girl een doing?"
"She hasn't been doing anything. She's a sacrifice for the dragon. We thought,

pened when I get there."
"We should like to know when you in

The king left the room to comply with he saint's request, and returned with the best that the itinerant photographer had been able to do for the princess.

The saint took it. A spasm of pain passed across his face. to his position,
"So that's the princess, is it? Well, I serve, grated parmesan guess old fire bellows can wait until tomor- croutons accompanying.

The king reached the palace first and went in by the back door, as his feet were rather muddy. As he passed through the

was waiting to see him in the passage by the umbrella stand.

as serving an omelet in the shape of a chrysanthemum, fish shredded to look like snow and chicken fashioned in all sorts of kitchen the servant told him that a man odd shapes. "What is his name?" asked the king.

Show him into the best parlor boots, and then went down into the parlor to receive his honored guest. "Saint George, we believe," he said, po-

"You are prepared to rid our kingdom of

"Do we understand that you insist on the reward?

"Well, unfortunately, we have just led her out to die, but—"

perhaps, if we gave her up it might be satisfied and go home.

"Well, I guess it won't be the dragon that's gone home. We shall see what's hap-

tend to get there." "Depends. Got a map of her face?"

"We have a photograph taken by a traveling artist a month ago."
"Bring it right here."

exactitude.

Cut a full grown rabbit into pieces as if for a pie, set them in a stewpan, with a pound of breast of veal cut small, cover

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row. Now, what about the kingdom? Got the books handy?"

"The accountant general has them," said the king. "He will be happy to show them to you, we have no doubt. You will find them all right, we think."

"I guess I'll just step round and see the gentleman," said St. George. "There's no hurry. If everything is satisfactory I'll sail in and settle old blowhard tomorrow, and take over half the concern then."

The king had no objection. He directed the saint to the accountant general's house.

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"Sauerkrautstrasse," he said. "The third

"Sauerkrautstrasse," he said. "The third house. It is called 'Braeside.'"
The saint put on his hat and the king let him out by the front door.
"Well," he said, when he had scrutinized the royal system of double entry, "I guess there's money in it. It ain't been worked proper. That's going to begin tomorrow. What the firm wants is push, and I'm the man to make things hum."

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The next morning he unpacked a suit of armor and put it on. The livery stable supplied him with a charger at half a crown the first hour and two shillings an hour after that. The populace turned out to see him off, but he declined all offers of company and rode toward the swamp alone.

"I guess I'll give the old beast something for clearing out likt that," he said to him.

for clearing out likt that," he said to him self as he rode along. "But he'll be pleased to see his old master again. Kill him? Not quite. But I'll see that he don't break ou again As he neared the swamp he caught sight

of one solitary, blasted tree. It was the one to which the princess had been tied. Of her there was no sign, but at the foot of the tree was stretched the glittering form of the dragon. of the dragon.

Elijah P. Jopp, for St. George was no other than the intrepid American, approached it with a beating heart, calling out the many endearing names he had given his pet during the time of their companionship. The dragon slowly moved its scaly tail, but did not bound toward him as he had expected. Elijah's heart sank, and putting spurs to his horse, he galloped up and dismounted at the foot of the tree. The dragon turned a fast-glazing eye upon him, and would have licked his hand if it had not been trained never to do so. It was plain that it would not live many min-

Japanese Housekeeping.

and attend to their homes. that is, the dealers call and offer wares for sale at their customers' doors. The fish

richest embroider their garments themselves. They are very economical little dressmakers and do much planning, cutting, basting and making over.

foot square and eight inches high is set before each person. On this is a lacquer tray, with space for four or five dishes, each four or five inches in diameter. There are definite pieces for each little bowl and dish. The rice bowl is on the left, the soup bowl in the middle. One's appetite is measured according to the number of bowls of rice one eats. A maid is at hand with a large box of rice to replenish the bowls If a few grains are left in the bottom of the bowl she is aware that those eating have had sufficient, but should one empty his bowl she will once more fill it.

Dress Hints.

A great many tea gowns are being made of light blue, cream and tones of violet crepe de chine, swathed to the figure in graceful lines. A new use has been found for this material in linings for the smartest cloaks of the day, so that when the wearer raises her arm she displays any number of ruche edged frills. Capes of this thin material are thrown on in there is any fear of a draft.

Boleros now often accompany long bell sleeves and are slipped on and off, as occasion requires, for warmth, the shirt show-ing beneath generally made with bishop sleeves. Such jackets are bordered with fur as well as the handsome passementered and can be made to do duty with many skirts, which are trimmed with cordings and kiltings and flounces cut on the round, invisibly joined to the skirt with these

frillings Scallops border many flounces and many side trimmings on skirts. Corselet belts prove so becoming that they are almost universally worn with any sort of bolero. They are almost as much trouble to make as a bodice, for they require to be boned and fitted with great

Rabbit Hotch Potch.

with cold water and milk in half proportions-a pint and a half of each. Set the pan over a very moderate fire, bring slowly to the boil, skim and add eight ounces of leeks, four of onion (or twelve of onion if there are no leeks), three of celery, all finely cut up, an ounce of parsley, a sea-soning of pepper and salt and a dessertspoonful of mixed dried herbs in a muslin bag. Let the liquid come to the boil again after this addition and then simmer very gently for an hour and a half. Now strain, picking out the pieces of rabbit and the bag and passing the vegetables through a hair sieve. With two strong forks tear the rab-bit meat into shreds; mix this with the vegetable puree, moisten with the broth that was strained off, add two ounces of that was strained off, add two ounces of nicely boiled rice, heat up carefully and serve, grated parmesan or gruyere and fine